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§165.T08-090 Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Marker 88.1 to 90.4, Above Head of Passes, New Orleans, LA.

(a) *Location.* The following area is a safety zone: the entire width of the Lower Mississippi River, above Head of Passes, beginning at mile marker 88.1, which is the location of the lower end of the Algiers Lock fore bay, and ending at mile marker 90.4, which is the location of the Chalmette Slip and 350 yards upriver of the Belle Chasse Launch Service's West Bank Dock.

(b) *Effective dates.* This section is effective from February 16, 2004 to February 16, 2005.

(c) *Enforcement period.* This rule will be enforced only when the Carrollton gauge reads 10 feet or higher during the effective period. When the Carrollton gauge reads 10 feet or higher, this section will be enforced every Sunday from 1:45 a.m. to 3:45 a.m. and from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. These periods of enforcement are based on the predicted cruise schedule for the C/S CONQUEST and are subject to change. The Captain of the Port New Orleans will inform the public via broadcast notice to mariners of the enforcement periods for the safety zone.

(d) *Regulations.* (1) In accordance with the general regulations in §165.23 of this part, entry into this zone is prohibited to all people, mariners and vessels 30 minutes prior to the C/S CONQUEST's arrival at the power cables, unless authorized by the Captain of the Port New Orleans.

(2) Vessels are prohibited from anchoring in the New Orleans

Emergency Anchorage or the New Orleans General Anchorage below mile marker 90.4, which is the location of the Chalmette Slip, and 350 yards upriver of the Belle Chasse Launch Service's West Bank Dock. This prohibition is effective two hours prior to the arrival and departure of the C/S CONQUEST or until it safely passes under the power cables.

(3) Moored vessels are permitted to remain within the safety zone.

(4) The Captain of the Port New Orleans will inform the public via broadcast notice to mariners of the enforcement periods for the safety zone.

(5) Vessels requiring entry into or passage through the zone during the enforcement period must request permission from the Captain of the Port New Orleans or a designated representative. Designated representatives include the Vessel Traffic Center (VTC) and on-scene U.S. Coast Guard patrol personnel. The VTC may be contacted on VHF Channel 67 or by telephone at (504) 589-2780. On-scene U.S. Coast Guard patrol personnel may be contacted on VHF channel 67.

(6) All persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the Captain of the Port New Orleans, the Vessel Traffic Center, and designated on-scene U.S. Coast Guard patrol personnel. On-scene U.S. Coast Guard patrol personnel include commissioned, warrant, and petty officers of the U.S. Coast Guard.

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